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Application No.: 09/934,946)

Group Art Unit: 2621

Filed: August 22, 2001)

Examiner: Shervin K. Nakhjavan

For: USE OF A SCANNER TO)
DETERMINE THE OPTICAL)
QUALITY OF CALCINED COKE)
AS A MEASURE OF COKE)
QUALITY)

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amendments and consider the accompanying remarks and declaration. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

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